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COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH, 1945

REGULAR
MEETING

The City Council of the City of Lodi met in regular meeting at 8:00 o'clock P.M. (P.M.T.) of Wednesday, September 5, 1945. Councilmen W. J. Coffield, W. E. Riggs, Harry J. Tolliver, Otto A. Weihe and Robert H. Rinn, (Mayor), present. Also attending: Glenn West, City Attorney, John A. Henning, Superintendent of Public Utilities, Clinton Henning, City Engineer, George D. Polenske, Fire Chief and C. S. Jackson, Chief of Police together with representatives of Lodi Post 22, American Legion, Veterans' Service, Lodi Motorcycle Club and Lodi City Employees Association.

Minutes of the last regular meeting held August 15th, 1945 and of the adjourned meeting therefrom held August 16th were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor

AMERICAN
LEGION

Lodi Post No 22, American Legion filed a written application for use of Lodi Stadium for the evenings of September 22 and 29 together with a copy of a proposed contract agreement between C.E. Baker and Billy Hunefeld and the Legion Post for the conducting of "midget auto races" on these dates.

VETERANS
SERVICE

Veterans' Service made application by submission of an executed contract for use of the Stadium for motorcycle races, naming Al Lauer and Lodi Motorcycle Club as parties to conduct these races. Tentative dates for motorcycle races to be September 26 and October 3, Ezra Ehrhard of Lodi Motorcycle Club asked positive allocation of the date on September 26. After discussion of the difficulties of maintaining track for these two sports, each of which requires a different kind of track, the Council offered September 22 and October 12th or 13th to the Legion and September 26th and October 3 to the Veterans' Service. Messrs Randolph & Webb of the Legion expressed acquiescence. Oral applications were then presented from both above organizations and from Oscar Dittmanson for allocation of the Stadium tracks for 1946. Mayor Rinn stated that this was another matter and that it would be well for all applicants to prepare their 1946 program early and present it to the Council together with other information as to accounting for receipts, disbursement of proceeds and evidence that the sponsoring body had substantial interests in such proceeds.

STADIUM

GRAPE & WINE
FESTIVAL
ASSON.
CARNIVAL

Archie Closson, having filed an application in writing signed by himself and Lauren E. Wilkinson on behalf of Lodi Grape and Wine Festival Association requesting use of a part of the "hard ball" field in Lawrence Park for a carnival to run five days from September 12th, addressed the Council in furtherance of this application. On motion of Councilman Weihe, Coffield second, permission sought was granted, it being understood that all damage to property and utility bills would be paid the City by the Association.

PROCLAMATION
NO 24

PUBLIC PROCLAMATION NO 24, from Headquarters Western Defense Command was received. This proclamation removes all restrictions on the movement of aliens on the Western coast.

MASON
HOSPITAL
NOISE

Mrs Thirza M. Cole of Mason Hospital filed a written complaint against night-time and early morning noises arising from a milk trucking establishment and from street cleaning gangs. The City Clerk was directed to notify E.W. Tretheway of the milk company to cease these noises and the Foreman of Street Sweepers being in the Council Chamber, he promised to give attention to that part of the complaint directed against his men.

S.B.E.

State Board of Equalization notified the Council of the intended transfer of the beer and wine license of Kark Fischer from 606 S. Central Ave. to 35 N. Sacramento St.

REPORTS.

Reports of the Chief of Police, the City Poundmaster and the City Clerk for the month of August were received, read and ordered filed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

LOT 3, BLK 1
WELLSWOOD

Sale of the South 15 feet of Lot 3, Block 1 of Wellswood Park was authorized provided that Jacob Keszler, the intending purchaser granted the City an easement over the North 10 feet of Lot 4. The price of this parcel to be at least \$200.00.

PUBLIC
LIABILITY
INSURANCE

On motion of Councilman Coffield, Riggs second, renewal of the present general liability policy with Home Indemnity for three years was authorized provided premium charged was comparable to present premium.

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NEW BUSINESS -

BUSINESS
LICENSES

K. TAMURA

License matters - On recommendation of the City Engineer that Kosao Tamura had made substantial compliance with the building laws, his application for a license to conduct a rooming house at 4 North Main was granted, it to be understood that this license did not apply to the building in the rear of this concrete structure, which latter had been condemned for human habitation.

NEW
APPLICATIONS

Applications for licenses from L.P. Singer, Contractor, James A. Taylor, Photo Service, Justus W. Brand, Contractor, Maurice N. Christopherson, Contractor and John P. Jeleti, Merchant were presented and ordered to take the course prescribed by ordinance.

RESIGNATION OF
JOERKE.

The resignation of Spencer C. Joerke, Police Patrolman, was read. Chief Jackson was authorized to obtain the services of part-time temporary police officers, he having been unsuccessful in obtaining men from the existing eligible list. It was suggested to Chief Jackson that he have the Personnel Clerk again endeavor to obtain applicants.

CLAUD ALLEN
SICK LEAVE

A delayed application for sick leave accompanied by the certificate of a licensed physician was received from Claud Allen. It appearing that Mr Allen had 42 days accrued sick leave, it was directed that he be allowed this leave with pay computed from July 11th, the date on which he would be due to return to work from annual vacation, any further leave without pay to be subject to his applying for the same.

COMPLAINT OF
46 Employees.

A letter signed by 46 city employees claiming an injustice to other employees in the increases in pay allowed the clerks in the City Clerk's office on the City Clerk's recommendation was read and Mr G.D. Polenske of the City Employees Association addressed the Council in explanation thereof. The City Clerk was instructed to answer this complaint and set forth the reasons applying in this instance so as to clear up any misunderstanding.

APPOINTMENT OF
AN ASSISTANT
CITY ENGINEER

In the matter of the employment of an Assistant to the City Engineer, it was directed on motion of Councilman Coffield, seconded by Councilman Weihe, that the City offer Mr A. C. Heckenliable of Richland, Washington, the only qualified applicant, a temporary employment at \$350.00 per month for ninety days, permanent employment to depend on his qualifying for the position under the terms of the rules of the Department of Personnel.

PURCHASE OF
C.D. FIRE EQT.

On motion of Councilman Coffield, Weihe second, the City Engineer was directed to purchase the Federal Pumping Unit and accessories now in custody of the local Property Officer of the Department of Civil Defense at a price of \$482.91

CLAIMS

Claims in the total amount of \$ 35,499.62 as approved by the Finance Committee were allowed and ordered paid on motion of Councilman Weihe, Riggs second.

P.G. & E.
CONTRACT

At this time, the Council again entered into discussion and consideration of the five year term contract offered by Pacific Gas and Electric Company, particularly as to the position in which the City would be placed before the State Railroad Commission at its hearing in San Francisco on Sept. 13th if it had not executed this agreement. Mr Roy Strum, Local Agent of P.G. & E. argued that, if the City was signatory to the contract, together with other cities to whom it had been offered, his Company would be necessarily supporting the offered rate, but, if the City had no signed contract and appeared as an objector to its terms, his Company would, perforce, be in opposition to the granting of the new rate to any municipal power user not bound by the five year term. Discussion continued until midnight when Councilman Coffield, seconded by Councilman Weihe, moved the adoption of Resolution No 1238, directing execution of the offered contract and also directing the City Attorney, City Engineer and Superintendent

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Adoption of Res. 1238 of Public Utilities to appear at the date of hearing to protect the City's interests. This resolution was then adopted by the following vote:

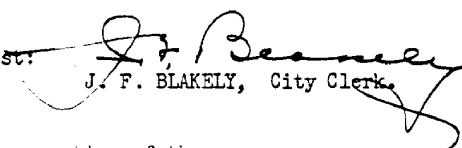
AYES: Councilmen, Coffield, Weihe and Rinn

NOES: Councilman, Tolliver


NOT VOTING: Councilman Riggs.

At five minutes past 12 midnight, the City Council adjourned on motion of Councilman Weihe.

Attest:


J. F. BLAKELY, City Clerk.

The foregoing minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi were read at a subsequent regular meeting of said City Council held on the 19th day of September, 1945 and approved without correction.


ROBERT J. RINN, Mayor of the City of Lodi

SEPT. 19, 1945